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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Senate Finance Committee Staff Regarding  
a Bill to Exclude From Gross Income Certain Payments  
Made to Military Personnel and Civilians While They Are  
Prisoners of War or in a Missing Status

1. Mr. Thomas Vail, of the Senate Finance Committee staff, called to say the Committee would probably be acting on the tax bill (H. R. 9900) which we had expressed an interest in, and it would be well for me to meet with Mr. Robert Willian, of the Committee staff, today. I made an appointment with Mr. Willian and talked with him about our interest in this legislation which would provide a tax benefit to military and civilian personnel who are missing, imprisoned, etc., as a result of the Vietnam conflict.

2. At the outset I queried Mr. Willian as to whether the Committee plans to make any changes in H. R. 9900 as it was passed by the House and referred to the Senate. Mr. Willian said they planned to report it favorably to the Senate floor exactly as it passed the House. In response to his question about the nature of our interest, I told him we would have preferred to see the bill passed as it was originally drafted without limiting it to the Vietnam conflict. I told him from our standpoint it would seem to have made sense, if permanent legislation was enacted, to have a bill which could apply to future circumstances like the Vietnam conflict as well, avoiding the necessity for separate legislation action in each instance. Mr. Willian agreed with this in principle and said someone ought to propose this but he added that both the Administration and the Congress had clearly demonstrated a desire to make the present legislation extremely limited geographically while permitting broad applicability to individual cases which occurred within the geographic area.

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25X1 9. [ ] Met with Mr. Robert Willian, Senate Finance Committee staff, and discussed with him the action the Committee would take on H.R. 9900. Mr. Willian said they planned to report the bill out without any changes and gave no encouragement on the possibility of amending it to accommodate the Agency's needs. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 10. [ ] David Martin, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, called to advise that the Subcommittee would be going to press very shortly with the publication of the Nkrumah documents using a letter which they had obtained from the Department of State to support their authenticity. He said this publication would start a new series to be entitled "Communist Global Subversion and American Security." This specific document would be entitled "Attempted Communist Subversion of Africa Through Nkrumah's Ghana." Martin added that as soon as he finished writing an introductory commentary he would get a jacket number from GPO which he would pass on to us in the event our people wanted to "ride the jacket."

25X1 11. [ ] In response to his request yesterday, I told James Gehrig, Staff Director, Senate Space Committee, that [ ] has a TK clearance and [ ] has a [ ] clearance and that we were unable to find any record through DOD of compartmented clearances for [ ] Mr. Gehrig expressed surprise that we could not confirm a clearance for Caylor since he had been told by [ ] people that these three men would be briefing him at the TK level. I suggested to Gehrig that he trace this back through his contact in [ ] office if he wanted to pursue it further.

25X1 12. [ ] Delivered the Director's reply to an inquiry made by Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. (D., N. C.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Separation of Powers of Senate Judiciary Committee.

25X1 13. [ ] Talked to Mr. Gordon Murchie, USIA, who told me that he had not yet forwarded the question pertaining to Agency control of RFE and RL set forth in the long listing received from Senate Foreign Relations Committee. I told Mr. Murchie I would call him as soon as we had a chance to review the questions once we have them in hand. See Journal of 4 April 1972.

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25X1 10. [ ] Received a request from Mr. William H. Jordan, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations staff, for the FBIS daily reports excluding the Soviet Union and Communist China. Mr. Jordan requested that they be delivered to S. 128 of the Capitol for his attention. [ ] FBIS, has been advised.

25X1 11. [ ] Delivered to the offices of Senators Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), Clifford Case (R., N.J.), George McGovern (D., S. Dak.), Frank Church (D., Idaho), Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), Edmund Muskie (D., Maine), William Proxmire (D., Wis.), Mike Gravel (D., Alaska), J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.), and Representative John Murphy (D., N. Y.) FBIS items in which their names were mentioned. 25X1

25X1 13. [ ] Met with Jane McMullan, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and briefed her on the compartmented clearances for which she was cleared access in response to Bill Woodruff's request and obtained from her the appropriate security oaths.

I left with Miss McMullan for Mr. Woodruff two copies of the Director's statement on the intelligence community for Mr. Woodruff's use.

25X1 14. [ ] Talked with Judy Eisenhower, personal secretary to Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), who confirmed that arrangements had been made by their office for luncheon for 26 persons in one of the Senate dining rooms (S 120 of the Capitol) at 1200 on Wednesday, 19 April. I told her we would drop by her office and pick up the Senator at approximately 1140. He would then join the Senior Seminar Group for lunch and a talk.

25X1 15. [ ] Mr. James Gehrig, Staff Director, Senate Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences, asked if I could check to see if the following individuals have compartmented clearances: [ ] 25X1

25X1 [ ] I told him I would check and would be back in touch with him tomorrow morning.

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1.  Called Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, who said he had not yet talked to Chairman Stennis today about plans for the Director's appearance before the Agency's Subcommittee briefing tomorrow but we could assume it was still on for 10:00 a.m.

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Mr. Thomas Vail, Chief Counsel  
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Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Vail:

Per our conversation today, I would appreciate having  
an opportunity, at your convenience, to talk with you about  
H. R. 9900 or any similar type legislation which the Committee  
might propose to act upon.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Deputy Legislative Counsel

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